



## Bureau of Land Management Calendar Advisory

## Wild Horses & Burros Join Fort Verde Days' Celebration

**What:** Wild Horse and Burro Adoption event takes place during Fort Verde Days.

When: Friday, Oct. 13 through Sunday, Oct. 15

From: 9 am to 5 p.m. all three days

*NOTE:* Competitive silent bid takes place on Saturday, at 1 pm

Walk-up adoptions held following competitive bid through Sunday

Where: Fort Verde State Historic Park. The park is located two blocks off Main Street (Hwy 260).

**Admission fee:** No additional entrance fees to attend the adoption event or to complete an application.

**Adoption fee:** Adoption fees only apply if you meet qualifications to take an animal home

Minimum adoption fee is \$125, per animal

## **Special Features:**

• Event held during Fort Verde Days

- Previously adopted wild horses featured in Fort Verde Days' Parade
- Opportunity to interview past adopters, including Randy Helm
- Thirty-five wild horses and ten wild burros available for adoption
- Still photos and b-roll available

**Background:** Event sponsored by the Bureau of Land Management. Protected by the wild free-roaming horses and burros act, wild horses and burros found on public lands are known as living legends, symbolic of the historic West. Today, some of these animals are now in need of good homes.

**Qualifications:** To qualify to adopt, you must be 18 years of age with approved facilities and transportation. No more than four untitled animals, per approved adopter. After one year, adopters demonstrating humane treatment of animals in their care are eligible to apply for title.

**For more information:** Visit our web site at: www.wildhorseandburro.blm.gov

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